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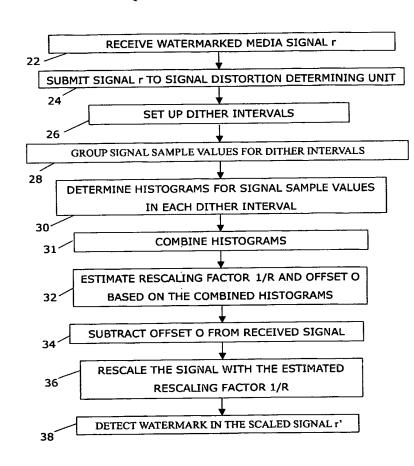
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(54) Title: ESTIMATION OF QUANTISATION STEP SIZES FOR A WATERMARK DETECTOR



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a method, apparatus and computer program enabling at least product identification the presence data symbols that have been embedded in a media signal. A transmitted media signal is obtained (step 22), which comprises a possibly distorted version of a host signal in which data symbols have been embedded by quantisation using a certain quantisation step size and to which dither with a set of dither values has been added. Several dither value intervals within the set are provided, where each interval corresponds to one dither value (step 26). A histogram is determined for each interval (step 30), where a histogram is determined for all sample values of a set of signal samples of the transmitted media signal and having a dither value in the corresponding interval. The separate histograms combined and a rescaling factor is determined based on the combined histogram (step 32) in order to estimate the quantisation step size.

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